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Art Unit: 1712
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Response to Office Action dated August 4, 2005

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In re Application of:

Applicant: HORTON, David P.

Group Art Unit: 1712

Serial No.: 10/604,733

Examiner: TUCKER, Philip C.

Filed: August 13, 2003

For: DRILLING FLUIDS, DRILLING FLUIDS ADDITIVES AND METHODS
USEFUL FOR LIMITING TAR SANDS ACCRETION ON METAL
SURFACES

Atty Docket: 49190-8

Box Patent Application Amendment
 The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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 401 Dulany Street
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Dear Sir/Madam:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for responding to the Office Action, dated for a period of two months so that a response can be filed by January 4, 2006. The fee of \$225.00 is dealt with in the section below entitled FEES.

CLAIMS FEES

No additional claims fee is required.

The claims fee has been calculated as shown below:

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	AFTER AMDT.	PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	Fee
TOTAL CLAIMS	26	20	6	Extra x \$25	\$150.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	7	0	Extra x \$100	\$0.00
FIRST FILING OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIMS	--	--	--	+ \$180	--
TOTAL					\$150.00

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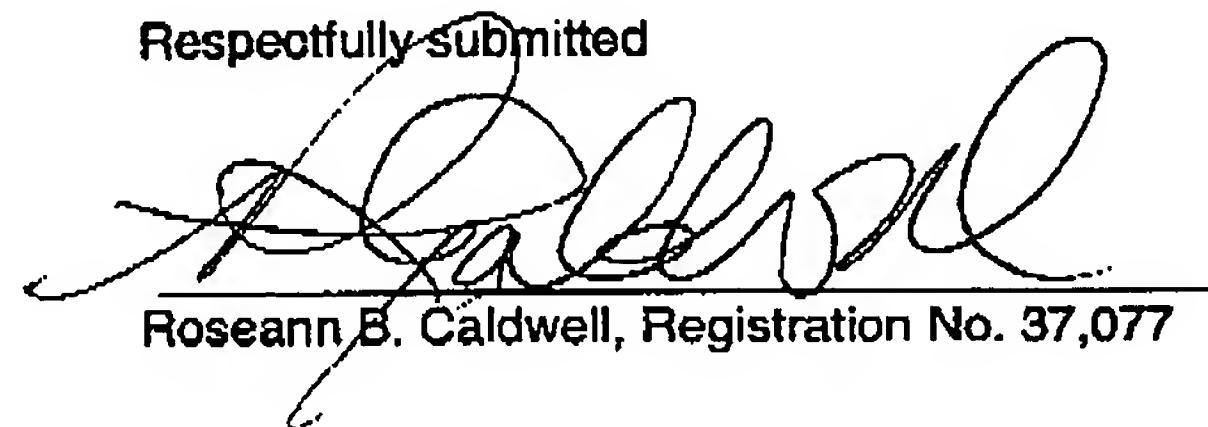
ADDITIONAL ITEMS

None.

FEES

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fees totalling \$375.00 for the two month extension fees of \$225.00 and the extra claims fees of \$150.00 and any further fees that may be required for entry of the amendment to our American Express credit card on file. Enclosed is the Credit Card Payment Form.

Respectfully submitted



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